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SUBJECT : TEXT OF UNESCO 93RD EX/BD RESOLUTION ON CHILE (ITEM8.2)

REF : PROHME-FORSTER TELCONS OCT . 11

FOLLOWING IS TEXT OF RESOLUTION APPROVED (32-0-2(US, CHINA))

ON OCT . 11 BY 93RD EXBD ON CUBAN COMPLAINT RE CHILE :

QUOTE : THE EXECUTIVE BOARD,

1. HAVING RECEIVED A COMMUNICATION FROM THE NATIONAL COMMISSION OF CUBA DRAWING UNESCO'S ATTENTION TO, INTER ALFA, THE SACKING OF "THE RESIDENCE OF THE WORLD POET NOBEL LITERATURE PRIZE-WINNER, AND MEMBER OF THE EXECUTIVE BOARD OF UNESCO AND THE DESTRUCTION OF HIS COLLECTION OF WORKS OF ART AND LITERATURE".

2. RECALLING ITS TRIBUTE PAID TO THE LATE PABLO NERUDA ON 24 SEPTEMBER 1973.

3. REITERATES ITS DEEPEST REGRET AT THE DEATH OF ITS LATE DISTINGUISHED COLLEAGUE :

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4. NOTING THAT THE COMMUNICATION FROM THE CUBAN NATIONAL COMMISSION FOR UNESCO DENOUNCES VIOLATIONS OF THE PRINCIPLES OF THE UNIVERSAL DECLARATION OF HUMAN RIGHTS COMMITTEE IN CHILE AND STATES THAT UNESCO HAS A DUTY TO REQUIRE THE SAFEGUARDING OF CULTURAL PROPERTY AND THE RESPECT OF HUMAN RIGHTS,

5. HAVING BEEN INFORMED THAT THE CHAIRMAN OF THE BOARD AND THE DIRECTOR-GENERAL HAVE RECEIVED COMMUNICATIONS FROM VARIOUS NON-GOVERNMENTAL ORGANIZATIONS ASSERTING THAT THERE HAS BEEN SERIOUS VIOLATION IN CHILOF THE RIGHTS OF SCHOLARS, SCIENTISTS AND EDUCATORS CONNECTED WITH INSTITUTIONS WITH WHICH UNESCO HAD CO-OPERATED IN THE EXECUTION OF ITS PROGRAMME.

6. RECALLING THAT ONE OF UNESCO'S AIMS IS TO CONTRIBUTE TO PEACE AND SECURITY BY PROMOTING COLLABORATION AMONG THE NATIONS THROUGH EDUCATION, SCIENCE AND CULTURE IN ORDER TO FURTHER UNIVERSAL RESPECT FOR JUSTICE, FOR THE RULE OF LAW AND FOR THE HUMAN RIGHTS AND FUNADAMENTAL FREEDOMS WHICH ARE AFFIRMED FOR THE PEOPLES OF THE WORLD, WITHOUT DISTINCTION OF RACE, SEX, LANGUAGE OR RELIGION, BY THE CHARTER OF THE UNITED NATIONS.

7. TAKING INTO ACCOUNT THAT THE CONSTITUTION CONTAINS NO PROVISION GIVING THE GENERAL CONFERENCE OR THE EXECUTIVE BOARD COMPETENCE TO INITIATE ACTION TO SECURE OBSERVANCE.

8. OBSERVING THE PRINCIPLE OF NON-INTERVENTION IN MATTERS WHICH FALL WITHIN THE DOMESTIC JURISDICTION OF MEMBER STATES (ARTICLE 1, 3 OF THE CONSITUTION).

9. EXPRESSES ITS GRAVE CONCERN AT THE EVENTS THAT HAVE TAKEN PLACE IN CHILE IN SO FAR AS THEY MAY AFFECT THE PURPOSES AND FUNCTIONS OF UNESCO, AS ESTABLISHED BY ARTICLE 1 OF ITS CONSITUTION, AND CONSEQUENTLY SOME OF THE ORGANIZATION'S ACTUAL ACTIVITIES.

10. APPROVES THE EFFORTS MADE BY THE DIRECTOR-GENERAL
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WITH A VIEW TO ASCERTAINING THE SITUATION NOW EXISTING IN THIS MEMBER STATE IN REGARD TO EDUCATION, SCIENCE AND CULTURE, AS WELL AS HE POSITION OF SCHOLARS, SCIENTISTS AND EDUCATORS WORKING IN THE COUNTRY, WHETHER CHILEAN NATIONALS OR FOREIGNERS.

11. DECDES TO APPLY, IN RESPECT OF THE COMPLAINTS REGARDING THE VIOLATION OF HUMAN RIGHTS, A PROCEDURE

SIMILAR TO THAT PROVIDED FOR IN DECISION 8.3 ADOPTED BY THE BOARD AT ITS 77TH SESSION, IN ACCORDANCE WITH THE PROCEDURE ADOPTED IN THE UNITED NATIONS, UNDER ECONOMIC AND SOCIAL COUNCIL RESOLUTION 728 F (//;888).

12 REQUESTS THE DIRECTOR-GENERAL, IN ACCORDANCE WITH THE AFORESAID PROCEDURE, TO BRING THE COMMUNICATIONS RECEIVED IN THE PRESENT CASE TO THE ATTENTION OF THE COMMITTEE ON CONVENTIONS AND RECOMMENDATIONS IN EDUCATION (77 BX/DECISIONS, I.3 PARAGRAPHS 6 AND 7) WHICH WILL BE CONVENED AS SOON AS POSSIBLE.

13. INVITES THE DIRECTOR-GENERAL TO CONTINUE HIS ACTION SINCE, Owing TO HIS FUNCTIONS AND THE RESPONSIBILITY WHICH DEVOLVES ON HIM BY VIRTUE OF THE CONSTITUTION, IT IS FOR HIM TO MAKE THE NECESSARY EFFORTS TO SAFEGUARD UNESCO'S PRESENCE IN MEMBER STATES FOR THE PURPOSE OF ENSURING FULL EXERCISE OF THE RIGHTS WHICH COME WITHIN THE SPHERE OF COMPETENCE OF THE ORGANIZATION.

14. FURTHER INVITES THE DIRECTOR-GENERAL TO INFORM THE SECRETARY-GENERAL OF THE UNITED NATIONS OF THE COMMUNICATIONS RECEIVED BY THE EXECUTIVE BOARD AND BY HIM AND TO CO-OPERATE FULLY WITH THE SECRETARY-GENERAL IN ANY STEPS WHICH THE LATTER MAY TAKE TO INVESTIGATE THESE COMPLAINTS.

15. DECIDES TO INCLUDE THIS SUBJECT IN THE AGENDA FOR ITS SPRING SESSION IN 1974 AND REQUESTS THE DIRECTOR-GENERAL TO SUBMIT A REPORT ON THE RESULT OF HIS EFFORTS AND ON ANY OTHER MATTER RELATED TO THIS QUESTION WHICH CONCERNS THE EXECUTION OF THE PROGRAMME AND THE OPERATION OF UNESCO'S OFFICES AND THE INSTITUTIONS ESTABLISHED IN CHILE WITH WHICH IT HAS CO-OPERATED.
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